

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 767

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of PFC Austin James McReynolds of Knoxville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Private First Class (PFC) Austin James McReynolds, a courageous member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, following in the patriotic tradition for which our nation's finest sons and daughters are renowned, PFC Austin J. McReynolds was a brave and honorable member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, born December 7, 1992, Austin McReynolds graduated from Grace Christian Academy in 2011 and attended Pellissippi State Community College before joining the U.S. Army in 2012; and

WHEREAS, upon joining the military, PFC McReynolds completed his basic training at Fort Jackson in Columbia, South Carolina, and trained as a combat medic at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas until late 2012 before being stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, PFC Austin McReynolds was deeply devoted to his family and faith, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, PFC Austin McReynolds is survived by his parents, Greg and Trista McReynolds; brother, Geoffrey; sister, Gentry McReynolds; grandparents, Thornton and Susan Pyles, the late Robert McReynolds, and Penny and Nick Jessen; great-grandparents, Kenneth Pyles and the late Bobby Pyles; and uncles, Teben Pyles, Robert McReynolds III, and David McReynolds; and

WHEREAS, this valiant American leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the patriotism, courage, and commitment to duty of this exceptional soldier and human being, the late PFC Austin McReynolds; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Private First Class Austin James McReynolds, a man of impeccable character and limitless courage who stalwartly committed himself to the defense of his nation as a member of the United States Army.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of PFC Austin McReynolds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.